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SPECIAL EDITOR'S NOTE: My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, Tedd (TJ), Katie) and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy Holiday and Season's Greetings".

3B, MAURITIUS. Laurent, F5PYI, will be active as **3B8/F5PYI until January 3rd**. He is reportedly using a FT-707 and dipoles. From time to time, he will be using 3B8CF's station. Look for him on: SSB - 3799, 7045, 14195, 14260, 21260, 28495 and CW : 20 kHz up.

6Y, JAMAICA. Start looking for Gianni, I5JHW, on **December 29th**, to be active as **6Y5HW** or **6Y0HW**. Activity will last **until January 12th**, on all bands with operations on CW/SSB/RTTY.

7O, YEMEN. Zorro, JH1AJT, and DJ9ZB, may be QRT by the time you read this. If you do not work them, there is GOOD NEWS! Xavier, EA3BHK, overheard Zorro announce that he was already invited by the Yemen authorities to come back next year, and that it would be at the end of **April, 1997**.

FR5, REUNION ISLAND. F6AFJ will be active as **FR5GM** from **December 25th to February 15th**. He will be on SSB on 20 and 15 meters from 1100-1200z and again from 1600-1800z.

HR, HONDURAS. Bob, KS9W, and Jerry, K9BG, will be active from **January 8th through January 15th**, as **HR3/home calls**. Jerry will operate primarily CW and Bob will operate CW/RTTY while SSB activity will be minimal. They will be on all bands (160-10 meters), and Jerry will also do some satellite operations. QSL to their respective home calls.

JD, OGASAWARA. Just a reminder that a group of JA operators will be active from **Chichi Island (IOTA AS-031)** for a very short time. They will be active from here **December 23-25th**. Look for **JA4GXS/JD1**, **JF4LNO/JD1** (a YL) and **JN4AWW/JD1** to be active on 160-10 meters SSB/CW. QSL via JA4GXS.

KH2, GUAM. Jim, **KH2D**, will be active on **160 meters** for the next several months. His operations will be primarily on 1828 kHz from 0800z until 1500z. When possible, he will be on during his sunrise around 2030z looking for European stations. QSLs direct to K8NA or direct to his callbook address.

LONG PATH OPENING. John, K1ER/KH6, reports those in Hawaii or on the West Coast may want to watch 20 meters for a long path opening from the Middle East and the Arabian Peninsula between 0330 to 0430z. Stations heard: **7O1A**, **9K2GS**, **A61AJ**, **A61AN**, **A61AM** and **A41LZ**.

P5, NORTH KOREA (ed. The following was received just before print and has not been checked out. It may be FACT or RUMOR.) A message on one of the PBBSs states, "EA1MK says that Martti Laine was in Spea// //Spain the first week in December for the URE (like ARRL) annual convention. Martti announced that P5 would be activated before May 1st with a big operation; more likely in March or April."

PY0, ST. PETER & ST. PAUL ROCKS. The DXNL reports PS7KM and friends are planning to be active from here in the same time frame as the VK0IR (Heard Island) activity in 1997.

PS8, ATALAIA ISLAND. Look for **PY8JA/p** to be active from here. This is not an IOTA island but is good for a Brazilian award (DIB-60). Activity will be from **December 29-31st**. Modes, times and frequencies are: SSB - 1900z, 14160 kHz; CW - 2000z, 14010 kHz and CW - 2100z, 7010 kHz. QSL via: P.O. BOX 5056, 66601.970 Belem, PA, Brazil, or via Bureau.

PZ, SURINAME. (Just a reminder!) Mako, JA1OEM, who is currently signing **FY/JA1OEM**, on 30,40 and 80 meters CW in French Guiana, will be back in Suriname on **December 24th**. He will be active on low bands as **PZ5HP**. Mako will be leaving Suriname on **January 12, 1997**. QSL to JA1OEM (CBA).

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- YUTAKA "YUKI", JA1OGX, wants to advise everyone that QSLs for his **XX9TQY** operation from the island group of **Macau, Taipa Island (IOTA AS-075)**, go to his home call: Yutaka Tanabe, 1-28-32, Kamitakaido, Suginami, Tokyo 168 Japan. His operation took place November 1-4th. His E-mail address is: HAF00117@niftyserve.or.jp
- Claude, F5GTW, QSL Manager for **FT5WE**, states that all directs and bureau requests for the days between December 29th (1995) and August 29th (1996) have been sent out (around 7000 QSLs!). The only exceptions (less than 200 cards) are cards that Samuel, FT5WE, has to do a search for callsigns in the handwritten log. Samuel will return to France next March. Logs for August 30th to November 5th will be arriving soon and will be replied to as soon as possible.
- Dominique, F5SJB, states he has sent out all cards for the **TM5CW** operation.

TI9, COCOS ISLANDS. The DXNS and several other bulletins report that Carlos, TI4CF, will be active for a few days (or maybe two weeks) starting **December 21st**. Presumably using the callsign **TI9CF**. Activity will have an emphasis on 160 and 80 meters.

VK9W & VK0, WILLIS ISLAND AND MACQUARIE ISLAND. There has been several reports that the newly founded Oceania Radio DX Group (ODXG) plans to become active from

Willis Island in 1997 and from Macquarie Island in 1998 or 1999.

VK0 HEARD ISLAND INTERNET REFLECTOR IS ONLINE. The Heard expedition's reflector will be the main forum in which you, the audience, can participate in their expedition. Through the reflector, you will be able to pass them your feedback. It will be the focal point for all updates and feedback coming from the expedition team on the island. Their pilot stations will broadcast general info on the island, the environment, their setup, the team, the challenges they are encountering, and other information of interest. With only a few days to go before the first team leaves for Reunion Island, they urge you to join the expedition team today. Here's how to subscribe to the Heard reflector (in 2 steps):

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VP8, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. Begin looking for Mark, SP3GVX, to be active from the Polish Henryk Arctowski Base (ex HF0POL) on King George Island. It is currently unknown what Mark's callsign will be. His plans for activity will be to emphasize the lowerbands, SSTV and satellite operations. QSL via SP3FYM.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. Brian, ZD7BJ, will be active as **VP8CWN** for the next two years. The DXNL reports he can be found regularly after his sked with his XYL (ZD7XY on St. Helena Island) on 14240 kHz at 2000z.

Z3, MACEDONIA (former Yugoslav Republic). Jan, OH3MIG, will be here for the next 6-8 months as **Z38/OH3MIG**. His activity will be on all bands CW/SSB. QSL via OH3GZ. Meanwhile, Venco, **Z31JA**, has been active on 40 meters CW (around 7009 kHz between 2315 and 0130z). QSL via WA4JTK. **Z32XA** has been active on 80 meters CW (within 10 kHz from bottom of band edge) between 0000 and 0515z. QSL via KM6ON.

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